

SMITHSONIAN REPORT FILED.

Room Needed for Exhibition of Museum Specimens.

MORE LARGE PARKS RECOMMENDED.

Secretary Will Accept Position as Member of Carnegie Institution Trustees—Animal Ranches.

In his annual report the secretary of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution recommends that the number of large parks throughout the country be increased. The report also contains a recommendation for the establishment of one or two inexpensive ranches in which animals can be "gentled" and made accustomed to the sight of man.

The secretary pointed out that animals having lived in the wild state required to be "gentled" before being brought into captivity, otherwise the new environment and shock frequently caused their death.

Resolution Adopted.
The presentation of the needs of the museum occasioned considerable discussion, and the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That a committee consisting of six members be appointed by the Board of Regents, to be appointed by the chancellor, whose duty it shall be to represent to Congress the pressing necessity of additional room for the proper exhibition of specimens belonging to the National Museum and of additional appropriations to carry on the work of the museum."

The chancellor appointed as members of the committee Senators Platt, Cullum, and Cockrell, and Representatives Hitt, Adams, and Winmore.

Secretary Acknowledges Gifts.

The secretary announced the gift to the institution of a valuable collection of books relating to Napoleon Bonaparte by Gen. J. Watts de Peyster, of New York.

The report of the executive committee showed the permanent fund now deposited in the Treasury Department to be \$12,000, with other funds to the amount of \$42,000.

The secretary spoke of the gift of Mr. Carnegie and the proposed institution, of which he was asked to be a member ex-officio as secretary of the Smithsonian Institution. He stated that, with the approval of the regents, he would accept this position.

WANTS HIS DAUGHTER BACK.

Mr. Cornwell Secures a Writ Against His Sister-in-Law.

Mr. Burt F. Cornwell states that his sister-in-law, Miss Nannie A. Morrissey, is keeping his infant daughter, Clara E. Cornwell, from him. Yesterday he filed proceedings in habeas corpus to regain possession of the child. He alleges that Miss Morrissey is teaching the child to fear him.

On August 23, 1893, Mr. Cornwell says, he married Miss Katie A. Morrissey in Richmond and took her to Baltimore, where his business required his presence. In 1896, he says, his wife died. During the month of July, 1900, Mr. Cornwell states that he permitted Miss Morrissey to take the child to Richmond, and although he has repeatedly asked and ordered her to return it she has refused to do so.

When the petition was presented to Justice Bradley he ordered the writ to issue and made it returnable this morning at 10 o'clock.

The petitioner stated that he has good cause to believe that Miss Morrissey came to the city yesterday to attend the marriage of Mr. Frank M. J. Morrissey, and is certain that she brought the child with her.

SMOKE NUISANCE CONTINUES.

Health Officer Files Complaint with the Postoffice Department.

A few days ago the Health Officer notified the Postmaster General that dense black smoke has been issued at times from the stack of the Postoffice Department building, contrary to the act of Congress.

Postmaster General Payne has brought the matter to the attention of the Chief Engineer of the department, and has been informed that everything possible is being done to keep within the terms of the statute.

WIELDED A CARVING KNIFE.

Colored Dishwasher's Throat Slashed in Restaurant Row.

"Gusty" Brown, a dishwasher, had his throat cut during an altercation yesterday morning with Albert Colbert in the kitchen of the restaurant kept by John Frank, Centre Market. Both men are colored and were employed in the restaurant.

After an exchange of words Brown is said to have struck Colbert, who picked up a carving knife and thrust at him. The blade was buried in the left side of Brown's neck just above the jugular vein.

He was sent to the Emergency Hospital, where his wound was dressed, and later in the day was arrested by the police of the Fourth precinct and locked up on a charge of assault.

Snow and Ice Must Be Removed.

The District Commissioners have forwarded to the House Committee on the District of Columbia the draft of a bill providing for the removal of snow and ice from the sidewalks.

It is a substitute for the present law and is intended to correct some of its provisions. The proposed law will enable the street cleaning department to remove the snow and collect the cost from delinquent property owners.

Used Sending Water.

Edward Carter, colored, was fined \$20 in the Police Court yesterday on a charge of assault, and in default will serve six months in the District Jail. Carter and another negro, Philip Ross, became involved in a dispute in a barber shop on N Street Tuesday, and Carter, it is charged, seized a can of boiling water from a stove and emptied it over Ross' head.

A charming breakfast dish

Grape-nuts

Grocers sell them

ARRESTED FOR DEBT.

John F. Costello Refused Release on Habeas Corpus Writ.

Chief Justice Bingham, presiding in Circuit Court No. 1, yesterday denied the petition of John F. Costello to secure his release from custody on habeas corpus, and admitted him to bail pending his appeal to the Court of Appeals for the District. Mr. Costello has the distinction of being one of the very few men in the District who have been arrested for debt.

He was sued by the Hotel, Guyan, McKenney Company, of Baltimore, to recover \$100.52, alleged to be due. A judgment was rendered in favor of the plaintiff and a writ of execution issued. This was returned nulla bona by the Marshal. Through its counsel, the company caused a writ of satisfaction to be issued, and on this Mr. Costello was taken into custody.

THOMSON WILL COME T.

Validity of Testament Bequeathing Estate to Aliens.

Hearing in the contest over the will of William Thomson, Jr., which was begun yesterday in Circuit Court No. 1, before Chief Justice Bingham, will be resumed this morning. The proceedings are in ejectment and are brought by Andrew C. Keeley and others against Joseph Moore and others.

Mr. Thomson, Jr., left an estate, principally realty in this city, which is valued at about \$125,000. He was for many years United States Consul at Southampton, England, and while residing there, in 1886, executed his will. The will was signed by two witnesses on the day it was written, and the next was attested by another witness.

The two important questions which the court will be called upon to decide are whether the will is valid, because of its being signed by only two witnesses at the time of its execution, and whether the testator could devise his estate to aliens and they accept it.

STRIKE AT AN END.

Postal Telegraph Company Comes Out With Flying Colors.

The "strike" among the messengers employed by the Postal Telegraph Company has been amicably settled. The company, of course, won the day.

It has been learned that the crowd which caused the disturbance in the locality of the Postal Company's main office was composed largely of special delivery messengers from the City Postoffice, and discharged telegraph boys who nursed resentful feelings toward the company.

The arrest of the three promoters of the conduct of the attempt made to hinder the work of the regular messengers.

Clarence Thorne, sixteen; John Flaherty, and Vincent Skinner, each fifteen years of age, were the ones arrested in the juvenile court for the offense.

Clarence Thorne paid a fine of \$10, and young Flaherty and Skinner were fined \$5 each.

EXTENSION OF NAVY YARD.

Commissioners to Arrange Adjacent Streets to Suit Requirements.

The District Commissioners have written the Hon. John D. Long, Secretary of the Navy, in reply to his letter relative to the proposed westerly extension of the navy yard. They state that when the acquisition of the private property is completed, they will consider it to be the public interest to have the beds of the streets within the area so acquired made available for the purpose named.

The Commissioners offer to give every assistance in their power to further the project named by the Secretary.

CHIMNEY SWEEP BILL.

New Measure Will Impose Penalties For Violations of the Law.

The District Commissioners have transmitted to the committee of Congress the draft of a bill "to authorize the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to appoint superintendents of chimney sweeps and for other purposes."

The Commissioners state that they have received a number of complaints as to the manner in which chimneys are sometimes swept. They think that not only the appointment of chimney sweeps, but their service ought to be subject to inspection.

The bill provides for the appointment of superintendents of chimney sweeps from time to time by the Commissioners and their removal at pleasure. It gives the Commissioners authority to fix the fees to be charged and to prescribe regulations to govern the work. The bill further prescribes penalties for the violation of their regulations.

SAYS NOTE WAS RAISED.

Fight the Payment of \$1,000 on Negotiable Paper.

In the Court of Appeals for the District argument was heard yesterday in the case of John Offenstien against Gilbert B. Towles, Henry D. Towles, and others from the judgment of the Supreme Court of the District.

The suit against the defendants was to recover \$1,000 alleged to be due on a promissory note for the amount named. The defense was that the note in question was changed by Gilbert B. Towles.

Last summer Gilbert B. Towles was put on trial in Circuit Court No. 2. He was convicted and sentenced to seven years' imprisonment in the penitentiary at Moundsville, W. Va.

He took an appeal to the Court of Appeals for the District, and argument was heard on the appeal about a week ago.

LAW REGARDING VICIOUS DOGS.

Major Sylvester Recommends Draconic Measures Against Owners.

Major Sylvester has forwarded to the Commissioners a statement relative to the prohibition of dangerous dogs running at large in the District.

Major Sylvester states that it is not his purpose to recommend changes in the laws relating to the Health Department, but he expresses the opinion that where dogs run at large, with or without tag, and display viciousness by attacking other dogs, the owners thereof should be fined; and where such animals attack a person, the owner should be fined and the animal adjudged to be killed.

Escapes Heavy Penalty.

William Thompson pleaded guilty in the Police Court yesterday to mutilating a newspaper file in the Library of Congress, Saturday, by cutting out a poem which was in his file. A fine of \$500 may be imposed for this offense, but the court accepted Mr. Thompson's plea of no improper intentions and released him upon his personal bond.

Petitions to Adopt Child.

Mr. James Tanner, guardian of Ruth Brittain Brodenfelt, yesterday filed a petition in the Supreme Court asking to be permitted to adopt the child and make her his heir-at-law.

Dr. Shoulders a Voluntary Bankrupt.

A petition in voluntary bankruptcy was filed yesterday by Dr. George H. Shoulders, of 717 Eleventh Street northwest. He lists his liabilities at \$4,614 and his assets at \$250.

CERTIORARI DENIED IN TEA DUST CASE.

Court Declines to Review Finding of Standards.

EXPERT BOARD'S RULE STANDS.

Justice Bradley yesterday handed down his decision in what is known as the Tea-Dust case, sustaining the demurrer of the Government to the petition asking that certain records held by the Secretary of the Treasury be filed with the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the District.

Tea Importers Protest.

The proceedings were instituted in June last by Mr. George Hamilton and George C. Chabell & Co., of New York; W. J. Cruikshank, and others, trading as Morrison, Hanman, Russell & Co., New York; Averill & Co., New York; and W. J. Butterfield, Great Britain, importers and dealers in tea. They protested against the exclusion of certain brands of teas from the United States.

Besides the Secretary of the Treasury the members of the board of experts were also named as defendants in the petition of the complainants for a writ of certiorari filed.

Claims of the Petitioners.

The petitioners claimed that in March, 1901, the board of tea experts, under an act of Congress, prepared and submitted to the members of the board of experts, claiming to act under the act of Congress referred to, and upon the recommendation of the board of experts fixed and established certain standards for the importation of teas into this country. It is stated that the standards ranged from Formosa Oolong, No. 1, to Scented Canton, No. 10.

Denied Right to Fix Standards.

The petitioners claim that the Secretary and the board of experts had no power under the act of Congress to fix the standards as they did, because in doing so they excluded from importation many brands of tea which are neither impure nor unwholesome.

It is further claimed that standard No. 7, which fixes the standard for Country Green tea, excludes from importation all grades of Fychow, Wenchow, Moynow, and other teas, which are neither impure nor unwholesome.

Court Declines to Review Finding.

During the year 1900-1901, it is stated there were exported 171,655 half chests of tea, valued at \$1,710,550, of which fully three-fourths came to the United States. If the standards fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury and the board of tea experts are continued in force, the petitioners claimed at least from one-third to one-half of the available supply will be cut off.

In disposing of the matter the court said that neither the act of the Secretary nor of the board of experts was judicial in its nature, and they cannot be reviewed upon a petition for certiorari.

RIGHT OF WAY FOR FUNERALS.

Street Car Regulations in Other Cities Reported to Commissioners.

The District Commissioners have received from Major Sylvester several letters from the police officials of other cities relative to street cars giving the right of way to funeral processions and other parades.

A letter from the chief clerk of the department in New York states that there is no special enactment in that city preventing the free passage of street cars on all occasions, but that such matters are regulated by the police as good judgment and the public welfare may demand.

Mr. Francis O'Neill, superintendent of police of Chicago, states that there is no special ordinance in that city covering the point in question, but he says that it is an old and established custom in that city, out of respect to the dead, of street cars as well as all other vehicles not to break funeral processions.

The acting marshal of police in Baltimore writes that there is no law in that city compelling street cars to wait for funeral processions.

The superintendent of police in Philadelphia states that there are two ordinances requiring street cars to give way to funeral processions in that city. He says that one of them imposes a penalty of \$5 for failure to stop a car for the passage of a funeral procession on its way to a cemetery.

The other ordinance requires civic and military processions to stop every fifteen minutes for the cars on the intersecting lines to pass.

The Death Record.

The following deaths for twenty-four hours were reported to the Health Department up to noon yesterday: Caroline Susan Crawford Ross, 79 years; Joseph H. Coleman, 59 years; Jacob Harman, 53 years; George T. Budd, 50 years; James T. Williams, 35 years; May Helen McGrath, 21 years; T. Richardson Bryant, 18 years; L. Josephine Williams, 1 year; John C. Smith, 1 year; Thomas West, 18 months; Silas Hill, 11 months; Charles A. Zier, 6 months; William Harris, 4 months; infant of Ada Payne, 1 month; Catherine L. McMahon, 28 days; infant of Mary Allen, 2 days.

Rodman Lewis' Resignation.

Upon the recommendation of Colonel Biddle, the Engineer Commissioner, the Board has accepted the resignation of Mr. Herbert E. Lewis, rodman in the surface division. Colonel Biddle announced to the Board that it was the intention of the Department not to fill the vacancy at the present time.

Certificate of License Lost.

Upon the request of Mr. George A. Short, the District Commissioners have directed that a duplicate second-class steam engineer's license be issued to him. This action was taken upon the receipt of the sworn statement of Mr. Short that he has lost the original certificate of license.

Valuable Fan Lost.

While attending the reception to the Judiciary at the White House over a week ago Mrs. Platt, the wife of Senator Platt of Connecticut, lost a valuable fan, a gift from a friend now deceased. Mrs. Platt reported the matter to the police yesterday and announced that she would gladly pay a reward for the return of the missing article.

Found Sick on the Street.

Charles Gibson, seventy-five years old, of 117 Twenty-third Street northwest, was found sick on Thirty-fifth Street, between M Street and Prospect Avenue, about 11 o'clock yesterday morning by J. R. Gintler. He was taken to the Georgetown University Hospital, where the physicians pronounced his ailment a case of acute indigestion.

Marriage Licenses.

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FOR COLLECTION OF TAXES.

Mr. Davis Asks a Delinquency Appropriation of \$800.

Mr. E. G. Davis, the Collector of Taxes, has forwarded to the District Commissioners a request for a special appropriation of \$800 to pay for the preparation of the tax sale certificates for the sale to take place next April. In explanation of this request Mr. Davis says:

"The appropriation last year, being included in the regular appropriation bill, but made immediately available, was for \$500. This was found to be insufficient for the purpose, a larger force being found necessary to do the work than we were enabled to employ with this sum. In consequence we have estimated for an increased amount that will allow the employment of a force competent to finish the work in the allotted time—twenty days."

"About 5,000 lots are sold, which necessitates the preparation of this number of certificates of sale, which contain the date of sale, number of lot, and square, the name in which the property is assessed, the kind of tax sold for—general, special or water rate; the amount of tax, with penalty interest, and costs; surplus, if any, and to whom sold. Comparison must be made with tax ledgers of all the lots generated and a statement made of the same for record."

"In view of the fact that the amount asked for is included in the District appropriation bill, and that delay is probable in the members of the board of experts, I beg to suggest that the measure be prepared, I beg to suggest that it be provided for in the urgent deficiency bill."

"In order to avoid the recurrence of this difficulty next year, it is recommended that this item be allowed to remain in its present shape as part of the appropriation for 1903."

COLES FLOURNEY RELEASED.

Permitted by Police Surgeons to Leave for Home in Baltimore.

Mr. Coles Flourney was released yesterday, after an examination into the question of his sanity by the police surgeons, and departed for Baltimore to join his invalid wife.

Mr. Flourney is said by friends to be a well-known railroad contractor, who has a beautiful home at Covington, Va., but who winters with his family in Baltimore.

When taken to the police station he at first stated that he was an escaped patient from the Johns Hopkins University Hospital. He was, however, soon discovered to be sane, and he was sent to the Emergency Hospital for the night.

He had somewhat regained his normal condition yesterday, when examined by Dr. Marbury, stated that his wife was an invalid at the Baltimore Hospital and that he desired to hurry back to her. He was without means, but stated that he had friends in the city who would provide him with all the money he needed.

THE PROCEEDS OF CRIME.

Negro Arrested While Trying to Dispose of a Stolen Check.

While trying to pass a check for \$50.50, of which Mr. Louis E. Ettinger, of 1615 Madison Avenue, Baltimore, had been robbed, Paul Morgan, colored, of 201 D Street, Baltimore, was arrested yesterday. He was found in the hands of the Baltimore Police station, pending the arrival of an officer from Baltimore.

Mr. Ettinger was walking along Eutaw Street, near Conway, Monday, when a colored woman snatched the check and fled. Morgan was seen by the woman in the Baltimore jail, but the property was not found on her.

STREET WASHED WITH MILK.

Early Morning Accident for Which the District May Have to Pay.

The District Government will probably be called to pay for fifteen gallons of milk which was spilled at an early hour yesterday morning in front of 207 John Marshall Place. An unprotected excavation is said to have been the cause of the trouble.

A wagon belonging to the Star in charge of Orlando A. Cummings was passing along about 3:30 o'clock, when one of the wheels sank into the excavation, overturning the milk cans, the milk running out into the street.

Minister Was Lenient.

George Cockley, the young man who gave himself up to the police Tuesday night, is alleged to have told them that he robbed his aunt, who lived in Brookland, of \$40 and then took a trip to England, was liberated yesterday. Rev. Hiram Gerren, who boarded the young man, stated that he was an Assistant District Attorney Mulwain that the money the young man took belonged to him and that he did not desire to prosecute him.

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RECEIVED WITHOUT PENALTY.

Taxes Not Mentioned in Certificate Lead to Complications.

The District Commissioners yesterday approved the recommendation of the Assessor that the principal of two installments of water main tax be received without penalty from the date of a certain tax certificate issued to the owner of the property.

It appears that the assessment was levied for the laying of water main in Q Street against sub-lot 62, block 3, West Eckington, in the name of Mr. A. V. Gintler, who now makes application for the cancellation of the last two installments of the tax.

The Assessor in his report stated that the first and second installments of the tax had been paid, but that the owner had asked for relief from the payment of the balance with penalties from May 11, 1898.

In transferring the accounts in the tax ledgers, this account was not carried over, and subsequently two tax certificates were issued on which this tax was not mentioned. The Assessor states that the committee appointed to review the accounts of the department discovered this account and transferred it to the proper ledger.

Against the claim of the owner that he was led to believe the account canceled, the Assessor states that there has been no transfer of the property, and that it does not come under the provisions of the law of May 13, 1892.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

Only Routine Matters Considered at Session Last Night.

The Board of Education held a brief meeting at the Franklin School building last night. Only routine matters were considered.

It was decided that the building at the southwest corner of Eighth and I Streets northeast should be known hereafter as the Northeast Industrial School.

J. C. Bruce has been appointed a teacher in the night school, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of J. T. Fox. Christine Harris has been appointed a substitute sewing teacher in the Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh divisions.

FAIRFAX HOTEL LICENSE.

Explanation Requested Regarding Non-Removal of Office.

Mr. Snowden Ashford, the Inspector of Buildings, has forwarded to the District Commissioners a report upon the application of Mr. H. C. Busch, manager of the Hotel Fairfax, for a hotel license.

Mr. Ashford reports that the building in which the proposed hotel is located is a part of the old Willard Hotel. He states that the building is separate from the New Willard and that it is properly equipped with fire-escapes, lights, gongs, and other accessories of a hotel.

Mr. Ashford calls attention to the fact that a portion of the building was erected for an office under a temporary permit issued in April, 1900. He says that in this permit the owner agreed to remove the building within eighteen months from the date of the permit, which would have been in October, 1901.

It is suggested that before the license is granted the owner's attention be called to this permit and that he be requested to state what steps have been taken to comply with its conditions.

THE BOOK-KEEPER'S OCCUPATION.

The book-keeper's occupation renders him specially liable to stomach trouble. The hasty breakfast, the "quick lunch," the long hours spent in stooping over journals and ledgers, who lack of exercise, all tend to the derangement of the stomach.

When the stomach is in a healthy condition the feeling after a meal is one of satisfaction and comfort. Whenever there is discomfort after eating it is a sign of stomach derangement or disease.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition perfectly and permanently. The cures effected by this medicine are almost countless.

"I have taken one bottle of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery for indigestion and heartburn," writes Mr. C. M. White of Yankin College, Davidson Co., N. C. "I have had no relief since I commenced taking your medicine."

"In fact have not felt like the same man. Before I took the 'Golden Medical Discovery' I could not eat anything without awful distress, but now I can eat anything I wish without having unpleasant feelings."